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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Executive Council Meeting on 9 September 1975

Mr. Proctor chaired. Substituting were Messrs. [redacted] STAT
STAT Devlin, [redacted] and Kerr.

1. The investigations will be in full swing during the next two or three months. [redacted] STAT
The House Select Committee will soon begin a series of hearings on intelligence failures. In order to put our reporting in context, the Director wants to lead off this series of hearings by making a prepared statement. OCI has assembled an impressive document listing successful forecasts over the years.

STAT 2. [redacted] then briefed on the new Congressional Checklist. The new publication grows out of the Director's interest in providing more services to Congress. He has made it quite clear that the reporting will be absolutely straightforward and will not try to convey any particular administration viewpoint. It is recognized that the publication will sometimes carry items Secretary Kissinger doesn't like. Some sensitive items may be delayed briefly so that they can be carried first in the regular publications. The Checklist goes by courier to the staff chief of each of the committees receiving it, and the staff chief takes care of circulating it to committee members and key staffers. It is then returned to the Agency.

3. Mr. Proctor said that we are not going to circulate the Checklist widely within the Agency. The items appearing in the Checklist will be drawn from drafts prepared for other publications with some stylistic changes. The Checklist staff will operate under the same procedures used by the PDB staff, i.e., if they believe their changes have significantly altered the piece, they will consult the drafter. The Checklist will also be reviewed by Mr. Parmenter and Mr. Proctor.

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